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SUBJECT: GOC ALLOCATES DOLLARS 16 MILLION FOR LABOR  
EDUCATION.

1. LABOR MINISTER MUNRO AND CANADIAN LABOUR CONGRESS (CLC)  
PRESIDENT MORRIS WILL SIGN AGREEMENT TODAY (MAY 20)  
PROVIDING DOLLARS 10 MILLION OVER FIVE YEARS TO AUGMENT  
CLC LABOR EDUCATION ACTIVITIES. GOC WILL ALLOCATE ANOTHER  
DOLLARS 6 MILLION OVER FIVE YEARS TO UNIONS OUTSIDE CLC  
AND TO NON-UNIONIZED SECTOR. QUEBEC-BASED CONFEDERATION OF  
NATIONAL TRADE UNIONS, WHICH HAS IN THE RECENT PAST SHUNNED  
RELATIONSHIP WITH FEDERAL LABOR MINISTRY, WILL REPORTEDLY  
RECEIVE LARGEST SHARE OF DOLLARS 6 MILLION GRANT.

2. SIGNING OF THIS FIRST SUCH AGREEMENT IN NORTH AMERICA  
GREW OUT OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT A 1975 NATIONAL  
EDUCATION CONFERENCE CALLING FOR SUCH GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE.  
IT ALSO REPRESENTS THE FIRST IMPLEMENTATION OF GOC'S  
FOURTEEN-POINT PROGRAM TO IMPROVE INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS  
ANNOUNCED IN ELABORATION OF LAST THRONE SPEECH (SEE OTTAWA  
A-583, NOVEMBER 5, 1976).

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3. CLC EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT MAJOR IN CHARGE OF  
EDUCATION TOLD LABATT THAT DOLLARS 2 MILLION ANNUAL  
ALLOCATION WILL BE EQUALLY DIVIDED BETWEEN CLC HEADQUARTERS  
WHERE NATIONAL LABOR STUDIES CENTER WILL BE ESTABLISHED AND  
FIVE REGIONAL CENTERS WHICH WILL EXPAND THEIR TRADE UNION  
EDUCATION PROGRAMS. MAJOR NOTED THAT CLC WILL HAVE  
COMPLETE CONTROL OF ITS EDUCATION ACTIVITIES EXCEPT ONE

LABOR DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL WILL SIT ON BOARD OF NATIONAL  
CENTER AND AUDITOR GENERAL WILL REVIEW EXPENDITURES.

4. COMMENT: CLC WAS ABLE TO ALLOCATE ONLY DOLLARS 335,700  
IN 1975 (LATEST FIGURE AVAILABLE) FOR EDUCATION PROGRAMS.  
THE DOLLARS 2 MILLION ANNUAL GRANT WILL NOT ONLY ALLOW VAST  
EXPANSION OF TRAINING ACTIVITIES BUT ALSO ALLOW  
REALLOCATION OF ALL OR PART OF DUES-ENGENDERED RESOURCES  
FROM EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS TO OTHER PURPOSES.

5. ALLOCATION OF RELATIVELY LARGE SUM BY GOC MAY WELL PAY  
POLITICAL DIVIDEND IN TERMS OF AMELIORATING ITS RELATIONS  
WITH ORGANIZED LABOR WHICH HAVE SUFFERED SINCE INTRODUCTION  
OF CONTROLS. ENDERS

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